

ANEW Application for WSF In-Need Fare Program

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Presentation Plan

- Background on In-Need Organization Program
- ANEW Application
- Upcoming Tariff Review Cycle

Background

- In-Need program began in 2006 when WSF moved from discounted coupon books to multi ride cards
- Allowed in-need organizations to continue receiving discounts for rides given to clients
- Local governments nominate organizations
- Transportation Commission reviews and approves

WAC 468-300-010 and 020

"IN-NEED ORGANIZATIONS - For qualified organizations serving in-need clients by providing tickets for transportation on WSF at no cost to clients, program would offer a monthly discount to approximate appropriate multiride media discount rates. Appointing bodies (those that appoint Ferry Advisory Committees) will nominate to the Washington State Transportation Commission those organizations that meet the criteria of the program. The Commission will review such nominations and certify those organizations that qualify. The following criteria will be used for nominating and certifying in-need organizations: Nongovernmental and not-for-profit organizations whose primary purpose is one or more of the following: Help clients with medical issues; provide clients with low-income social services; help clients suffering from domestic violence; provide clients with employment-seeking services; and/or help clients with Social Security. Travel will be initially charged based on full fare and billed monthly. The credits will be approximately based on the discount rates offered to multiride media users applicable on the date of travel."

In-Need Program Application

- Currently six In-Need accounts, four active in FY 2016
- \$20,323.60 in discount credits applied in FY 2016
- Apprenticeship & Nontraditional Employment for Women (ANEW) nominated by the King County Council
- Staff review recommends certification

Upcoming Tariff Review Cycle

- Biennial review of WSF fares will begin this fall
- WSDOT/WSF makes recommendation to Commission late next spring
- Initial meetings with Ferry Advisory Committee on Tariffs (FAC-T) and Commission Ferries Subcommittee next month
- Presentation to the Commission on process, timeline and potential topics in December

Questions?

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